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Amend House File 2540 as follows: Page 13, by inserting after line 34 the 3 following: 4 <Sec. ____. AUTUMN OLIVE COOPERATIVE MANAGEMENT 5 PROJECT == APPROPRIATION. There is appropriated from 6 the general fund of the state to the department of 7 natural resources for the fiscal year beginning July 8 1, 2006, and ending June 30, 2007, the following 9 amount, or so much thereof as is necessary, to be used 10 for the purposes designated: For purposes of administering an autumn olive 12 cooperative management project as provided in this 13 Act: 14 60,000 Notwithstanding section 8.33, moneys remaining from 15 16 the appropriation in this section on June 30, 2007, 17 shall not revert but shall remain available for the 18 fiscal year beginning July 1, 2007, and ending June 1 19 30, 2008, for the same purposes. 20 Sec. ____. AUTUMN OLIVE COOPERATIVE MANAGEMENT 21 PROJECT. 1. The state recognizes that autumn olive, 1 22 23 eleaganus umbellata, is a nonnative deciduous shrub 24 which is classified as an invasive species threatening 25 native vegetation, pasture grass, and crops. 2. There is established an autumn olive 2.6 27 cooperative management project to develop best 28 management practices to control autumn olive. The 29 project shall be administered by the department of 30 natural resources, principally by the forestry bureau 31 of the department's conservation and recreation 1 32 division. 33 3. The department shall establish a pilot autumn 34 olive cooperative management area located in 35 Independence township of Appanoose county and Wright 36 township of Wayne county. The department shall cooperate with owners of 38 land in the area in order to implement management 39 practices to control autumn olive, including but not 40 limited to cutting and chemical treatment techniques, 41 on their land. 42 b. The department shall award moneys to the owners 43 of the land in the area under a cost=share agreement. 44 The cost=share agreement must include a written plan 45 detailing the management practices and the use of 46 private contractors approved by the department. 47 agreement must include the owner's commitment to 48 participate in a cost=share contribution. The 49 department's cost=share contribution shall not exceed 1 50 ninety percent of the estimated cost of implementing 1 the management practices, or ninety percent of the 2 actual cost of implementing the management practices, 2 3 whichever is less. 4 4. a. As part of the pilot project, the forestry 5 bureau and departmental biologists associated with the 2 6 Rathbun wildlife management area shall establish a 7 timetable to replace autumn olive with native plants. b. The department shall cooperate with the 9 commissioners of the soil and water conservation 10 districts for Appanoose county and Wright county.
11 department and the commissioners shall encourage 12 private landowners to apply for available moneys under 13 federal programs including but not limited to the 14 United States department of agriculture's natural 15 resources conservation service environmental quality 16 incentives program, 7 C.F.R. pt. 1466.
17 c. The department may enter into cooperative
18 agreements with federal agencies including but not 19 limited to the United States department of agriculture 20 to encourage private landowners to develop grazing 21 management plans necessary to minimize overgrazing and 2 22 site disturbance in Appanoose county and Wayne county.

The department shall prepare and deliver two

24 reports to the governor and the fiscal services

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        a. Not later than January 15, 2007, an interim 28 report summarizing project activities and preliminary
        30 b. Not later than January 15, 2008, a final report 31 which provides a detailed account of project 32 activities, findings, and recommendations.>
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